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The relevancy of the non-English references is discussed in the attached foreign search reports of *Related Application Nos. 10/042,394 (Attorney Docket No. 713-611) and 10/042,393 (Attorney Docket No. 713-610 - U.S. Patent No. 6,632,479)*.

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